FLORIDA ENERGY COMMISSION

William "Bill" Cramer

William "Bill" Cramer was appointed to the Florida Energy Commission in 2006. He earned his law degree at Harvard Law School, and his Bachelor's degree in Mathematics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. During his career, he has accumulated a distinct combination of legal, business, industrial and military experience.

Mr. Cramer has been a member of the Gulf Power Board of Directors since 2002, and currently chairs its Controls & Compliance Committee. Mr. Cramer also has been a member of the Panama City-Bay County International Airport Authority's Board of Directors since 2004 and is its vice chairperson. From 1998 to 2000, he was a member of the Community College of the Air Force's Board of Visitors – from 2001 to 2004, he served as its chairman.

Mr. Cramer has been on the Gulf Coast Community College District Board of Trustees, and is its current chairman. In 1999, he served on the Education Commissioner's Blue Ribbon Committee on Education Governance for the State of Florida.

In 2005, Mr. Cramer received the Florida Distinguished Service Medal Award for exceptionally meritorious service to the Florida National Guard. He also is a recipient of the Association of Community College Trustees' M. Dale Ensign National Trustee Leadership Award, and twice has been awarded the Florida Association of Community Colleges Trustee of the Year Award.

Following graduation from Harvard Law School, Cramer served as law clerk to the Honorable Gerald B. Tjoflat, United States Circuit Judge of the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. He is licensed to practice law before Federal and Florida courts, including the Supreme Court of the United States.

For more than 25 years, Bill Cramer has been in the automotive business. In 1986, he was approved by General Motors as a franchised dealer. He currently owns five auto dealerships in Florida, Georgia and Alabama.